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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION FOR PATENT
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The above-identified application became abandoned as to the United States because the fees and documents required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c) were not filed prior to the expiration of the time set in 37 CFR 1.494(b) or (c) or 1.495(b) or (c) as applicable. The date of abandonment is the day after the date on which the 35 U.S.C. 371(c) requirements were due. See 37 CFR 1.494(g) or 1.495(h).

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee
- (2) Proper reply
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee which is required for all international applications having an international filing date before June 8, 1995; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee☒ Small entity - fee \$ 665 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status.

See 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the deposit account of MOETTELI & Associés SàRL, No 50-2621, for the amount of this fee.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m))**2. Proper reply**A. The proper reply (the missing 35 U.S.C. 371(c) requirement(s)) in the form of
National stage filing documents (identify type of reply):☐ has been filed previously on _____☒ is enclosed herewith.

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3 Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

- ☒ Since this international application has an international filing date on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. Statement. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

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